Oak Ridge National Laboratory Cray X1 and Black Widow Evaluation and Plans

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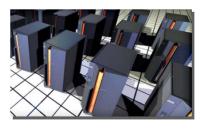
- Evaluate new hardware for science
 - Development and evaluation of emerging and unproven systems and experimental computers
- Deliver leadership-class computing for DOE science
 - Offer specialized services to the scientific community
 - Principal resource for SciDAC
 - By 2005: 50x performance on major scientific simulations
 - -By 2008: 1000x performance
- Educate and train next generation computational scientists
- Designated User Facility in 1994



Intel Paragon



IBM Power3

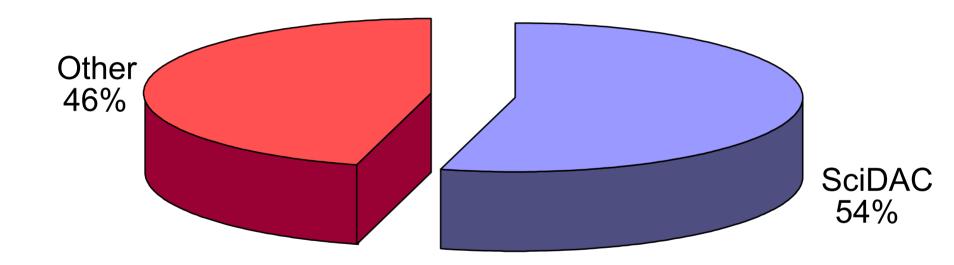


IBM Power4



Cray X1

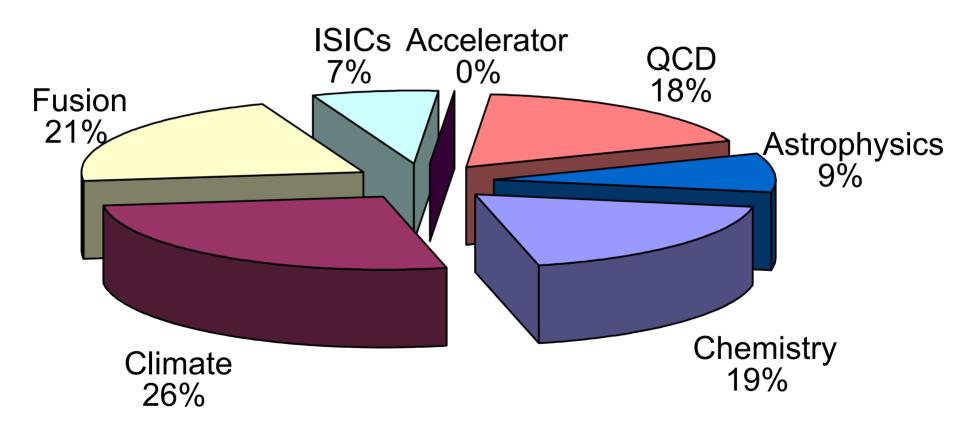
54% of CCS resources dedicated to SciDAC





FY03 CCS SciDAC usage

SciDAC project usage as total of 54%





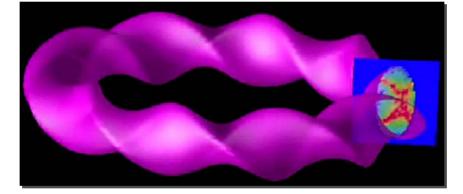
All orders spectral code in 3D for fusion simulation completed

 AORSA3D is MPI code that uses SCALAPACK to solve linear systems arising from spectral discretization

Preliminary calculation for Fast Wave minority heating on LHD stellarator

• $16 \times 50 \times 50$ modes in ϕ , x, y (10 independent solutions - one per field

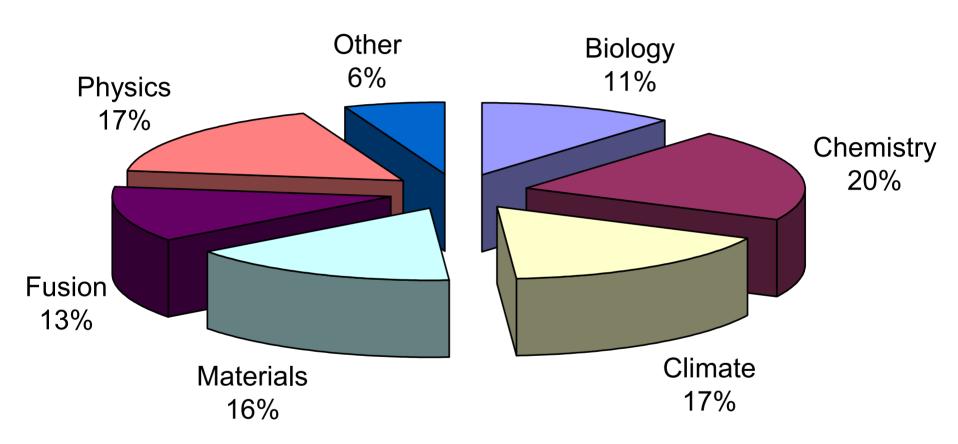
period)



- Each solution requires 576 processors on ORNL Eagle system for
 6.5 h. Total of 3744 CPU hr. Sequence of 10 runs → 37,440 CPU hr =
 ~ 100,000 MPP hours
- Convergence study calculation with 32 toroidal modes \times 40 \times 40 modes required almost 10⁶ MPP hours



FY03 Oct-Feb CCS usage by discipline





CCS is a National User Facility

- Available to the national user community
- Four types of user agreements
 - UC-Nonproprietary no cost agreement for commercial users
 - UA-Nonproprietary no cost agreement for educational users
 - UR-Nonproprietary cost required agreement for all users
 - UF-Proprietary cost required agreement for all users
- One of twenty user facilities managed by Oak Ridge National Laboratory
 - ->500 user agreements in place
- Cray is most recent
 - User Agreement UF-03-277



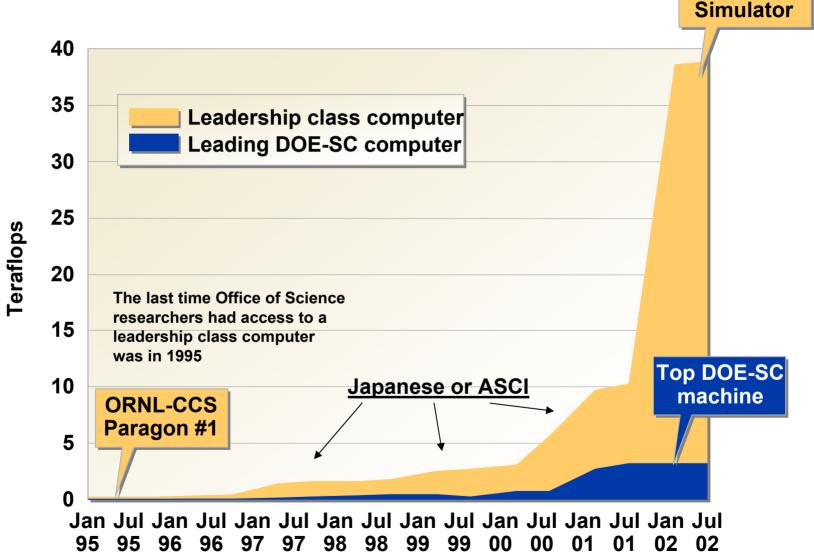


World Class CCS Facilities

http://www.ornl.gov/tted/UserAgreementList.htm



Office of Science computing capability is significantly behind leadership class Farth





ASCAC statement

Without robust response to the Earth Simulator, U.S. is open to loosing its leadership in defining and advancing frontiers of computational science as new approach to science. This area is critical to both our national security and economic vitality. (Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee, May 21, 2002)

ORNL-CCS response

 CCS held series of workshops and meetings with users and vendors
 Cray, HP, IBM, SGI, Others



Even though clusters of general purpose SMPs dominate U.S. HPC....

- Largest DOE systems
 - NNSA: LANL (HP), LLNL (IBM, Intel)
 - SC: LBNL (IBM), ORNL (IBM), ANL (Intel), PNL (Intel)
- Largest NSF systems
 - PSC (HP), NCAR (IBM), SDSC (IBM), NCSA (Intel)
- Largest (known) DOD systems
 - NAVO (IBM), ARL (IBM)
- Largest of other U.S. agencies
 - NOAA (Intel), NASA (SGI)
- Largest state systems
 - LSU (Intel), SUNY (Intel), FSU (IBM), NCSC (IBM)



... the science community we serve and our users found:

Increasing

- Processor speed
- Parallelism
- Algorithm efficiency
- Computational requirements for scientific simulation
- Relative memory and interconnect latencies
- Power consumption
- Heat generation
- System complexity
- Software complexity

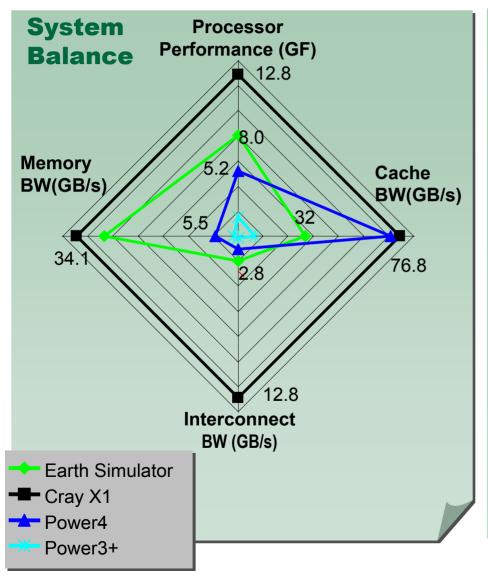
Decreasing

- Relative memory bandwidth
- Relative interconnect bandwidth
- Relative I/O speed
- % of peak performance

Our users requested a balanced, leadership-class system based on science needs



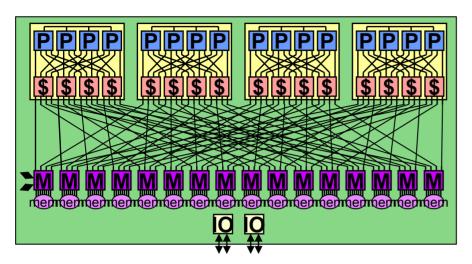
Cray X1 provides balanced system for science applications



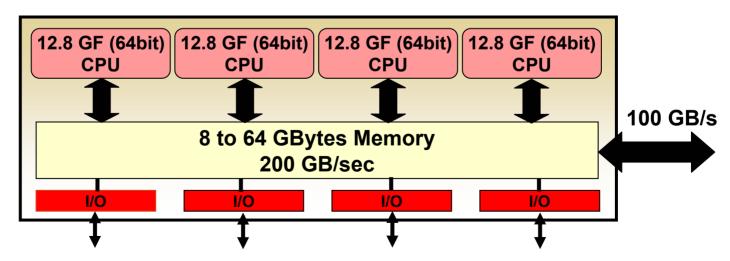
Cray X1

- Commercial name for "SV2" project that Cray has been building for NSA for more than 4 years
- Combines multi-streaming vector processors with a globally addressable memory similar to T3E
- Offers best opportunity for leadership class system for delivered performance in scientific applications such as climate, materials, astrophysics, fusion
- Proposal entitled "Reasserting U.S. Leadership in Scientific Computation" was submitted to evaluate and deploy Cray X1 on July 4, 2002

Cray X1 scalable vector architecture



- Powerful vector processors with integer and bit operations
- Very high memory bandwidth, but with cache
- Works well for short vectors
- Ultra-high bandwidth interconnect
- 2-D torus topology





Comparisons of peak 10TF systems based on current OASCR computers

CCS-3



- IBM Power4
- 10 teraflops peak
- 1920 processors
- 5.2 gigaflops processor
- 32 processors per cabinet
- 60 cabinets
- Well understood, stable system; Federation interconnect should make this machine more attractive
- Commodity manufacturing
- Cost: \$35M (includes 5-year maintenance)

NERSC-3E



- IBM Power3
- 10 teraflops peak
- 6,656 processors
- 1.5 gigaflops processor
- 64 processors per cabinet
- 104 cabinets
- Well understood, stable system
- Commodity manufacturing
- Cost: \$75M* (\$45M+\$30M) (includes 5 year maintenance)

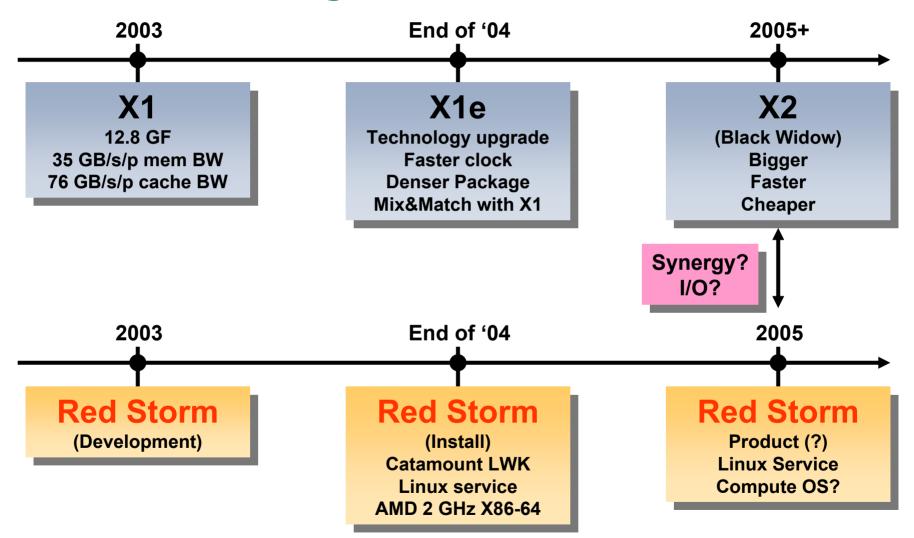
*estimate

CCS-4



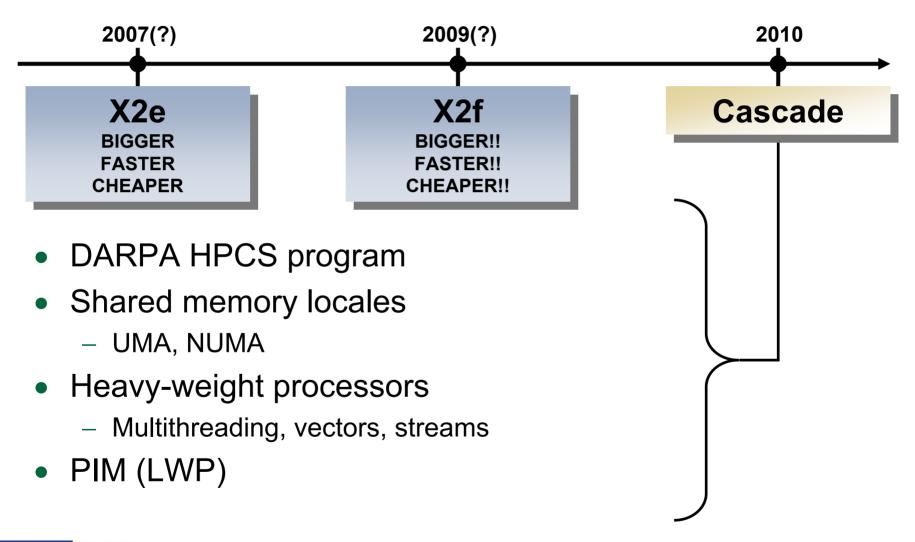
- Cray X1
- 10 teraflops peak
- 768 processors
- 12.8 gigaflops processor
- 64 processors per cabinet
- 12 cabinets
- Most balanced system
- Designed for scientific computing
- Commodity manufacturing
- Cost \$71M (includes 5 -year maintenance)

CCS-Cray plans: near term MOU with Cray on 8-14-2002



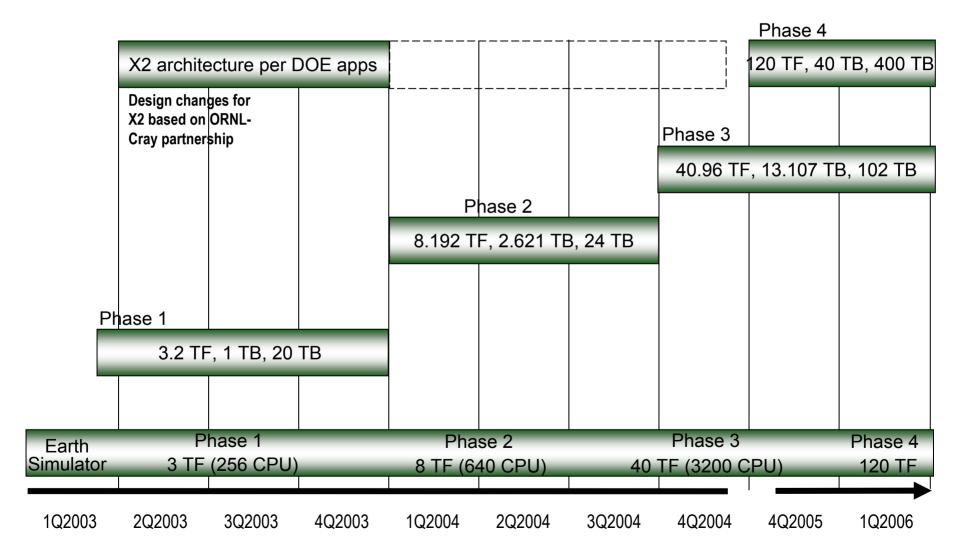


CCS-Cray plans: not so near term Cascade technical affiliate program





Cray X1/X2 4-phase evaluation and deployment



Statement of work

- Seller: Cray Inc., Small Business
- Items: Cray X1 Systems, Cray Black Widow Systems, Source Code Licenses, and Maintenance
- Delivery Schedule
 - Base System/Phase 1: March 2003 Summer 2003
 - Eight half populated cabinets
 - Contract signed and approved
 - System Option II/Phase 2: October 2003 December 2003
 - Upgrade phase 1 system to fully populated 8-12 cabinet systems (10TFlops peak) based on results of initial evaluation
 - System Option III/Phase 3: January 2004 June 2004
 - Add sufficient additional cabinets based on science and community needs for leadership class machine
 - Expandable to 64 cabinets
 - System Option IV/Phase 4: Commencing late 2005
 - Upgrade to 120 TF Cray Black Widow system



Center for Computational Sciences Cray X1 System

- Picture of Cray X1 at factory awaiting shipment to ORNL
- Delivery scheduled for March 18th
- 32-processor, liquid-cooled cabinet
- 128 GB memory
- 8 TB disk



Summer 2003



- 3.2 TFlops
- 256 processors
- 1 TB shared memory
- 32 TB of disk space
- 8 cabinets



Detailed evaluation plan developed in concert with user community

(http://www.csm.ornl.gov/meetings/)

- Applications Workshops, November 5-6, 2002
 - Climate, Materials, Biology, Fusion, Chemistry, Astrophysics
 Cray, ORNL, LANL, PNNL, NCI
- Cray X1 Tutorial, November 7, 2002
 - >100 attendees from 20+ sites
- Cray-Fusion Workshop, February 3-4, 2003
 - Cray, ORNL, PPPL, U. Wisconsin, U. Iowa, General Atomics
- SciDAC CCSM Workshop: Porting CCSM to the Cray X1
 - NCAR, February 6, 2003 (followed CCSM Software Engineering Working) Group meeting)
 - Cray, NEC, OŘNL, NCAR, LANL
- Computational Materials Science: Early Evaluation of the Cray X1
 - Austin, March 2, 2003 (in conjunction with APS Meeting)
 - Invitees from 15 sites
- Cray Biology Workshop, March 18, 2003



Science applications driven evaluation and benchmarking

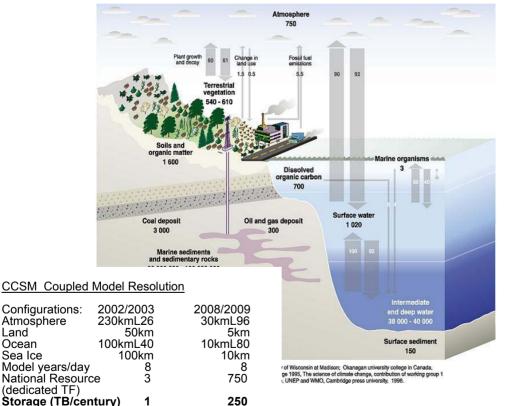
- Potential application
 - important to DOE Office of Science
 - scientific goals require multi-terascale resources
- Potential user
 - knows the application
 - willing and able to learn the X1
 - motivated to tune application, not just recompile
- Set priorities
 - potential performance payoff
 - potential science payoff
- Schedule the pipeline
 - porting/development
 - processor tuning
 - scalability tuning
 - science!

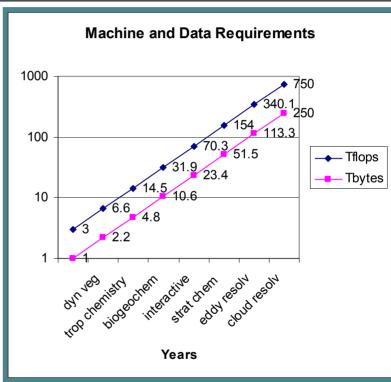
Detailed plan developed in concert with scientific community

Climate (CCSM) simulation resource projections

At current scientific complexity, one century simulation requires 12.5 days Single researcher transfers 80Gb/day and generates 30TB storage each year

Science drivers: regional detail / comprehensive model





- Blue line represents total national resource dedicated to CCSM simulations and expected future growth to meet demands of increased model complexity
- Red line shows data volume generated for each century simulated



Configurations:

Model years/day

(dedicated TF)

Atmosphere

Land

Ocean

Sea Ice

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Climate science

- Collaboration with CCSM project
 - NCAR will provide two development branches for NEC and Cray
 - ORNL and NCAR gate-keepers will propose merges to CCSM
- Community Atmospheric Model (CAM)
 - "Physics" stresses single-processor vectorization and multistreaming
 - "Dynamics" stresses interconnect bandwidth
- Community Land Model (CLM)
 - Stresses vectorization and memory bandwidth
 - Atmospheric coupling stresses interconnect
- Parallel Ocean Program (POP)
 - "Baroclinic" should scale well does it?
 - "Barotropic" stresses interconnect latency
 - Latency bound on SX-6



Porting strategies for the CCSM to Cray X1 and NEC SX

Cray X1

- Atmosphere (ORNL-CRAY)
 - Activate Eulerian vector dynamics
 - Radiation dropped 25% to 7%
- Ocean (LANL-CRAY)
 - Replace utilities 75% to 0%
 - 2-D Barotropic with CoArray Fortran
- Land (ORNL-NCAR)
 - Move column loop
- Sea-Ice (LANL)
- Coupler (ANL)

Nec SX

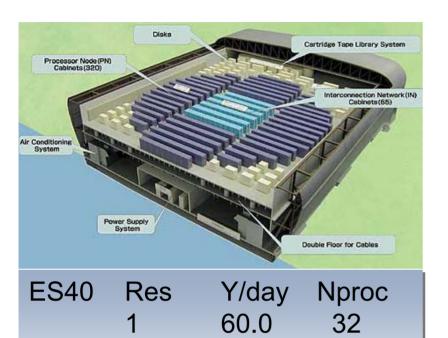
- Atmosphere (NCAR-NEC)
 - FV dynamics
 - Radiation same
- Ocean (LANL-CRIEPI)
 - Vectorized out of the box by replacing one module
- Sea-Ice (CRIEPI)
 - Vectorization improved x 50



Schedule

Vectorization task descriptions	Lead	Others	FTEs	months	FTE-yrs	Status	Target
Software Management					0.33		
Repository branch for Cray	Craig					25%	1Q03
Repository branch for NEC	Craig					25%	1Q03
Merge to dev branch	Boville	Drake	2	2	0.33	ongoing	4Q03
Atmospheric Model (CAM2)					1.42		
EUL dynamical core	Courdery	Worley	1	2	0.17	25%	2Q03
FV dynamical core	Parks	Boville	1	2	0.17	25%	2Q03
Radiation physics	Courdery	White	3	3	0.75	25%	2Q03
Other physcis	White		1	3	0.25		1Q03
Message passing optimization	Worley	Putman	1	1	0.08		3Q03
Ocean Model (POP2)					1.08		
Baroclinic	Jones	Levesque	2	2	0.33	75%	1Q03
Barotropic solve	Jones	Levesque	2	4	0.67	25%	2Q03
Message passing optimization	Jones		1	1	0.08		3Q03
Land Model (CLM2.1)					0.75		
Prototype structure	Hoffman	Vernstien	1	2	0.17	25%	1Q03
Modify pft process routines	Hoffman	Vernstien	2	3	0.50		2Q03
River routing scheme	White		1	1	0.08		3Q03
Sea Ice Model (CICE2)					0.33		
Incremental remapping	Jones		1	2	0.17		2Q02
Elastic-Viscous Plastic dynamics	Jones	Hunke	1	2	0.17	25%	1Q02
Coupler (CPL6)					0.42		
Model Coupling Toolkit	Larson		1	3	0.25		2Q03
Unit test	Kaufman		1	1	0.08		3Q03
Live model test	Craig		1	1	0.08		4Q03
Total Effort					4.33		
25%							
50%							
75%							
done							

16P X1 provides best POP performance



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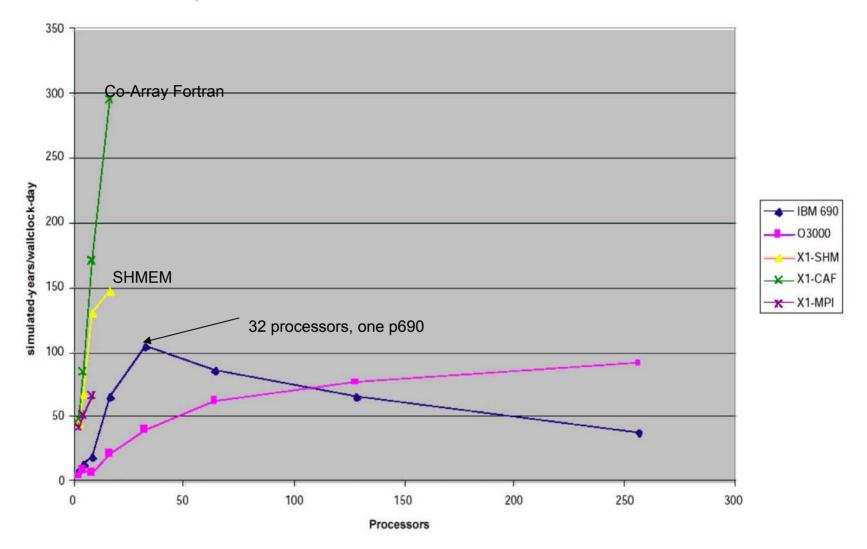
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CrayX1 Res	Y/day	Nproc
1	35.3	16
0.1	0.25	16



0.1

Extremely optimistic results on X1 however, much work remains

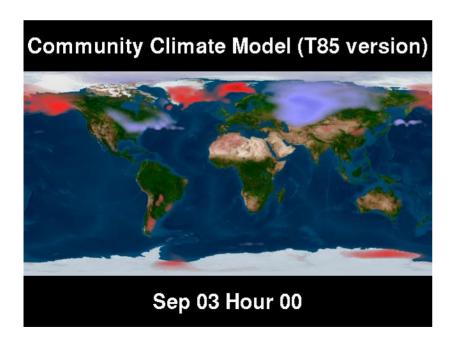




Science projects with CCSM

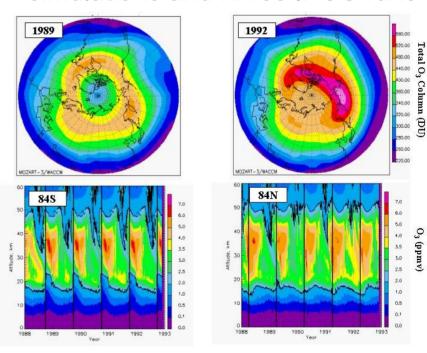
Cray

ORNL – Evaluation of X1
 architecture for high resolution
 climate change simulations



CRIEPI

- NCAR Whole Atmosphere Simulations
- LANL Eddy resolving ocean simulations and hi-res IPCC runs





An opportunity for extraordinary discovery through effective integration

Spallation Neutron Source (SNS) Center for Nanophase Materials Science (CNMS)



\$1.3B \$150M/yr



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250 TF Cray X2
Theory and Simulation

Synthesis & Characterization

- ~ 12,000 atoms
- ~ 4,000 surface +sub



First principles simulation size

Current largest 2176-atoms (3TF)



Real device size

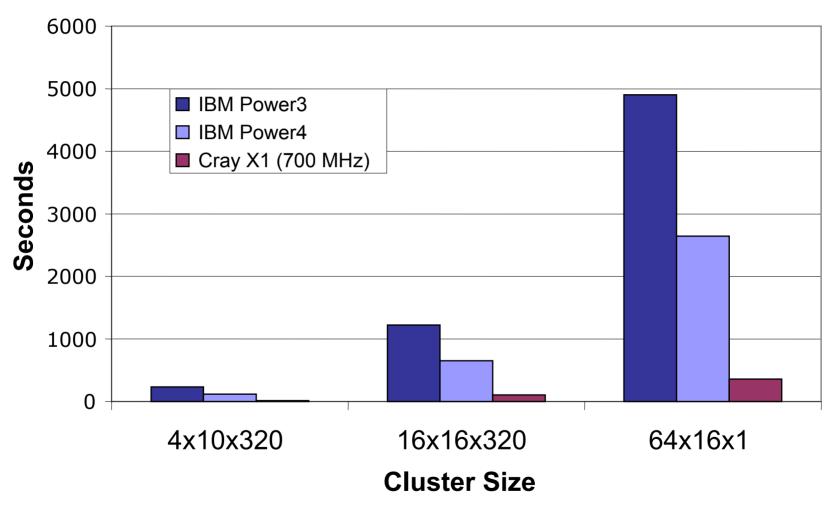
Nano dot: 5x5x5 (6TF)

Nano wire:10x10x60 (250TF)

New algorithms



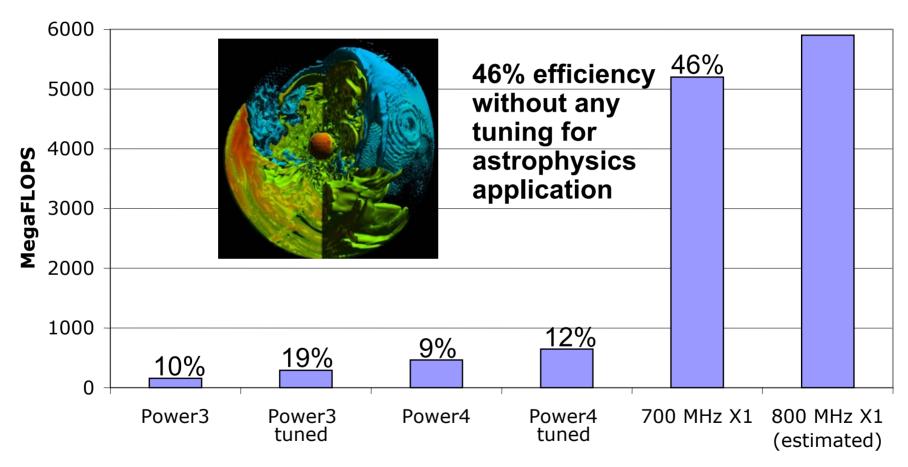
DCA-QMC calculations of strongly correlated electronic materials



http://www.physics.uc.edu/~jarrell/Research/myresearch.html



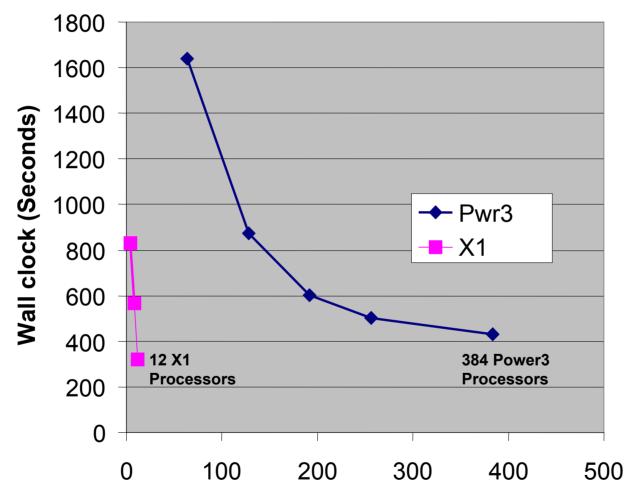
Performance of Boltztran on X1 Calculates Boltzman neutrino transport



http://www.phy.ornl.gov/tsi/



Computational fluid dynamics with chemistry shows good performance and scalability on X1







Summary

- Cray X1 offers balanced architecture for science
 - Eight half populated cabinets in FY03
 - Upgrade to 10TFlops in FY04
 - X1 and follow on systems scalable to 100+TF based on Office of Science needs
 - New private sector-funded CCS facility will be ready to house Cray
- Unprecedented performance on Office of Science applications
 - Factor of 3-50 better sustained performance
 - Critical to DOE mission goals
- Access to system source code to tune system for DOE applications
- Strong collaborative partnership and opportunity to guide development of next generation "Black Widow" system based on DOE applications
 - Design changes for X2 based on ORNL-Cray partnership

